

Listing of Claims

1. Claims 1-17 (canceled)

18. (currently amended) A method for fastening at least two mediums of a scrapbook or photo album, comprising the steps of:

- a) forming corresponding holes in the at least two mediums, the at least two mediums being selected from the group consisting of scrapbook pages, photo album pages, photos, and decorative paper;
- b) aligning the holes in the at least two mediums;
- c) disposing a securing device ~~an eyelet~~ through the holes in the at least two mediums;
- d) placing a setting tip against a top of the securing device~~eyelet~~; and
- e) striking an upper impact end of an elongate body attached to the setting tip to deform the top upper end of the securing device~~eyelet~~.

19. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 18, wherein the step of placing a setting tip further includes placing a setting tip with a raised pattern against the top of the securing device~~eyelet~~; and wherein the step of striking sets the securing device~~eyelet~~ and creates a corresponding pattern of the raised pattern on the securing device~~eyelet~~.

20. (original) A method in accordance with claim 18, wherein the step of forming corresponding holes further includes the steps of:

- a) placing a punching tip against at least one of the mediums; and

b) striking an upper impact end of an elongate body attached to the punching tip to drive the punching tip through the at least one medium.

21. (currently amended) A method in accordance with claim 18, further comprising the steps of:

a) attaching an interchangeable punching tip to an elongate body prior to forming the holes in the mediums;

b) removing the punching tip from the elongate body after forming the holes in the mediums; and

c) attaching the setting tip to the elongate body prior to placing the setting tip against the top of the securing device~~eyelet~~.

22. (new) A method in accordance with claim 18, wherein the securing device is selected from the group consisting of an eyelet, a rivet, and a grommet.

23. (new) A method in accordance with claim 20, wherein the elongate body includes an ejection chute, formed in the body, and being configured to allow media punched by the punching tip to be ejected out of the elongate body.

24. (new) A method in accordance with claim 18, wherein the setting tip is threadably attached to an attachment end of the elongate body via mating screw threads on the attachment end of the body and on the setting tip, the respective mating screw threads being configured to enable selective, threadable coupling of the setting tip to the body.

25. (new) A method in accordance with claim 24, further comprising a shoulder formed on the setting tip, having a shape configured to facilitate attachment to and removal from the attachment end of the body.

26. (new) A method in accordance with claim 25, wherein the shoulder has a shape selected from the group consisting of hexagonal and octagonal.

27. (new) A method in accordance with claim 18, further comprising a knurled grasping portion disposed on the elongate body near the upper impact end of the elongate body.

28. (new) A method for fastening at least two mediums of a scrapbook or photo album, comprising the steps of:

a) forming corresponding holes in the at least two mediums, the at least two mediums being selected from the group consisting of scrapbook pages, photo album pages, photos, and decorative paper;

b) aligning the holes in the at least two mediums;

c) disposing a securing device through the holes in the at least two mediums;

d) placing a setting tip with a raised pattern against a top of the securing device;

and

e) striking an upper impact end of an elongate body attached to the setting tip to deform the top of the securing device and create a corresponding pattern of the raised pattern on the securing device.

29. (new) A method in accordance with claim 28, wherein the step of forming corresponding holes further includes the steps of:

 placing a punching tip against at least one of the mediums; and
 striking an upper impact end of an elongate body attached to the punching tip to drive the punching tip through the at least one medium.

30. (new) A method in accordance with claim 28, further comprising the steps of:

 attaching an interchangeable punching tip to an elongate body prior to forming the holes in the mediums;
 removing the punching tip from the elongate body after forming the holes in the mediums; and
 attaching the setting tip to the elongate body prior to placing the setting tip against the top of the securing device.

31. (new) A method in accordance with claim 28, wherein the securing device is selected from the group consisting of an eyelet, a rivet, and a grommet.

32. (new) A method in accordance with claim 29, wherein the elongate body includes an ejection chute, formed in the body, and being configured to allow media punched by the punching tip to be ejected out of the elongate body.

33. (new) A method in accordance with claim 28, wherein the setting tip is threadably attached to an attachment end of the elongate body via mating screw threads on the attachment

end of the body and on the setting tip, the respective mating screw threads being configured to enable selective, threadable coupling of the setting tip to the body.

34. (new) A method in accordance with claim 33, further comprising a shoulder formed on the setting tip, having a shape configured to facilitate attachment to and removal from the attachment end of the body.

35. (new) A method in accordance with claim 34, wherein the shoulder has a shape selected from the group consisting of hexagonal and octagonal.

36. (new) A method in accordance with claim 28, further comprising a knurled grasping portion disposed on the elongate body near the upper impact end of the elongate body.

37. (new) A method for fastening at least two mediums of a scrapbook or photo album, comprising the steps of:

a) forming corresponding holes in the at least two mediums by:

- i) placing a punching tip against at least one of the mediums; and
- ii) striking an upper impact end of an elongate body attached to the punching tip to drive the punching tip through the at least one medium.

the at least two mediums being selected from the group consisting of scrapbook pages, photo album pages, photos, and decorative paper;

b) aligning the holes in the at least two mediums;

c) disposing a securing device through the holes in the at least two mediums;

d) placing a setting tip against a top of the securing device; and
e) striking an upper impact end of an elongate body attached to the setting tip to deform the top of the securing device.

38. (new) A method in accordance with claim 37, wherein the step of placing a setting tip further includes placing a setting tip with a raised pattern against the top of the securing device; and wherein the step of striking sets the securing device and creates a corresponding pattern of the raised pattern on the securing device.

39. (new) A method in accordance with claim 37, further comprising the steps of:
attaching an interchangeable punching tip to an elongate body prior to forming the holes in the mediums;
removing the punching tip from the elongate body after forming the holes in the mediums; and
attaching the setting tip to the elongate body prior to placing the setting tip against the top of the securing device.

40. (new) A method in accordance with claim 37, wherein the securing device is selected from the group consisting of an eyelet, a rivet, and a grommet.

41. (new) A method in accordance with claim 37, wherein the elongate body includes an ejection chute, formed in the body, and being configured to allow media punched by the punching tip to be ejected out of the elongate body.

42. (new) A method in accordance with claim 37, wherein the setting tip is threadably attached to an attachment end of the elongate body via mating screw threads on the attachment end of the body and on the setting tip, the respective mating screw threads being configured to enable selective, threadable coupling of the setting tip to the body.

43. (new) A method in accordance with claim 42, further comprising a shoulder formed on the setting tip, having a shape configured to facilitate attachment to and removal from the attachment end of the body.

44. (new) A method in accordance with claim 43, wherein the shoulder has a shape selected from the group consisting of hexagonal and octagonal.

45. (new) A method in accordance with claim 37, further comprising a knurled grasping portion disposed on the elongate body near the upper impact end of the elongate body.